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OUTLINES.

China asks for a cessation of hostilities pending negotiations for peace. —— The U. S. Government will agree to a cessation of hostilities, provided the ministers and others are delivered to the relieving forces at Pekin. —— General Chaffee telegraphs, dated last Thursday, that he was then only thirty three miles from Pekin. —— German steamer Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse made the record passage from Sandy Hook to Cherbourg in five days, nineteen hours and forty-four minutes. —— R. K. Scott, carpet-bag governor of South Carolina, died at his home in Napoleon, Ohio. —— A Populist newspaper of Lincoln, Neb., says Marion Butler will take the stump for McKinley. —— Thirteen persons, nearly all negroes, were seriously hurt in an accident to an excursion train near Augusta, Ga. —— Colored men had a conference with Hon. Wm. J. Bryan and assured him that he would receive many of their votes. —— Judge Reagan will retire from public life. —— Japanese officials say that Russia's occupation of New Chwang justifies the dispatch of British troops to Shanghai. —— New York markets: Money on call steady at 1½ per cent.; cotton quiet, middling uplands 10½c; flour dull and lower; wheat—spot steady, No. 2 red 81¾c; corn—spot steady, No. 2 44c; oats—spot quiet, No. 2 25½c; rosin dull; spirits turpentine dull.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Aug. 13.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 83 degrees; 8 P. M., 83 degrees; maximum, 96 degrees; minimum, 79 degrees; mean, 88 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 1.68 inches.

Stage of water at 8 A. M. at Fayetteville 0 7 feet.

COTTON REGION BULLETIN.

For the twenty-four hours ending at 8 A. M. Sunday, scattered showers fell in the Atlanta, Galveston, Little Rock, Memphis, Montgomery, New Orleans and Savannah districts, the greatest fall occurring in Texas—at Beeville 8 inches.

FORECAST FOR TO DAY.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—For North Carolina: Generally fair Tuesday and Wednesday; light southwesterly winds

Port Almanac---August 14.

Sun Rises	5.17 A. M.
Sun Sets	6.51 P. M.
Day's Length	13 H. 35 M.
High Water at Southport	10.20 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington	12.50 P. M

Teddy Roosevelt has gone fishing. He has been throwing out his lines for gudgeons for some time.

Last week was a scorcher in Chicago. There were 600 deaths against 465 the week before, the increase being mainly attributed to the intense heat.

There is a movement to make the Dead Sea a pleasure resort, and a line of motor boats will be put on to stir the old thing up and put life in it, as it were.

Li Hung Chang is said to be very despondent over the situation in China. Perhaps he is apprehensive of shucking some of those yellow jackets and peacock feathers.

The "United States" is a sort of taking name. In addition to our own there are the United States of Columbia, of Brazil, of Australia, and later on of South Africa.

Myerstown, Pa., is proud of a 12-year-old boy, who, although not more than four feet tall, weighs 170 pounds and is adding to it at the rate of ten pounds a month, and is not making any special effort either.

Col. Daggett, who has been ordered to Taku, China, is an army veteran, who has never been known to "drink, smoke, swear or gamble." A remarkable record for an army man.

When the Chinese Boxers learn that a rural debating club in Iowa has decided that they ought to be suppressed they will probably come to the conclusion that they are a live issue.

The paragraph builder of the Philadelphia *Times* sagely remarks that "still there is quite a difference between going right ahead in China, and going ahead right." The trouble is there are too many heads running this business. If they take the Chinaman's cue they must pull together.

"A Trip to Urope."

An enjoyable "trip to Urope," which, by the way, is translated in Purser Banks' vocabulary, "a trip to Southport and to sea," will be given on the steamer *Wilmington* Thursday. A large crowd is expected and Capt. Harper will excel all former efforts to give his passengers a good time. President Frank Herbst, of the Cape Fear Homing Club, will loose a number of pigeons while at sea and this attraction alone will be worth one's while in going on the excursion.

LOCAL DOTS.

— A colored excursion will be run to Carolina Beach to-day on the steamer *Wilmington*.

— The East Carolina Piscatorial Association will meet at the office of George H. Howell, Esq., to-day.

— The little eleven year old son of Mr. K. W. Jewell was severely bitten on the right arm by a neighbor's dog yesterday morning. The dog is said to have no symptoms of rabies.

— The STAR has a communication telling of an attempt at highway robbery which it cannot publish (1) because the name of the writer is not given; (2) because the communication is written on both sides of the sheet.

— The Grady School, Turkey, N. C., is advertised in to-day's STAR. Hon. B. F. Grady, the principal, is one of the State's foremost educators and the institution is worthy of the name it bears. The next session begins September 3rd.

— The steamer *Seabright* left on its usual trip to Calabash and Little River, S. C., yesterday. The upper Cape Fear steamboats are still practically at a stand still on account of low water. Neither the *Hawes*, *Driver* or *Johnston* came in yesterday as expected.

— The brig *M. C. Haskell* arrived at quarantine at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon from Port-au-Spain, Trinidad. She will load with lumber at the Kidder Lumber Company's mill. Capt. Sawyer is master of the vessel in the absence of Capt. A. E. Wingfield, who is sick at his home in Rockland, Me.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

The Grady School—Turkey, N. C.
King Grocery Co.—Breakfast food.
Masonic—Meeting St. John's Lodge.
Springfield Fire and Marine Insurance Co.—Statement.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Robert Portner Brewing Co.—Notice

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. C. L. Bunting, of Raleigh, is at The Orton.

— Mrs. E. A. Woodroe, of Savannah, is visiting in the city.

— Miss Fannie Corbett is visiting Mrs. D. M. Tedder, of Charlotte.

— Mr. D. D. Sloan returned yesterday from a two week's vacation at White Lake.

— Mr. Raymond Humphreys left yesterday to join his mother and sisters at Wayside, Md.

— Mr. Z. F. Long, of Rockingham, was among last evening's arrivals in the city.

— Mrs. C. H. O'Berry has returned from a pleasant visit of several weeks to friends in Statesville.

— Rev. E. E. Lane, pastor of Immanuel Presbyterian Church, will leave to-day for Virginia to spend a vacation.

— The STAR regrets to learn of the critical illness of Mr. W. M. Poisson, who was not expected to live through yesterday.

— Miss Jonnie Rutledge, of Charlotte, has returned home after a pleasant stay in the city, the guest of Mrs. W. W. Roberts.

— Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor is critically ill at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. E. V. Richards, on Ninth between Dock and Orange streets.

— Mr. W. F. Bowen, of Willard, was a visitor to the city yesterday. He says extensive preparations are being made for the big Democratic basket pic-nic there next Saturday.

— Mrs. Ann Elizabeth Gilmer and son, John E. Gilmer, who have been residing here for a number of years, returned yesterday to their old home at Lumberton, N. C., where they will make their home in the future.

— Misses Rena Loveland and Daisy Mathis, of Hammonton, New Jersey, who have been charming guests at Wrightsville during the past two weeks, left on Sunday morning aboard the schooner *Sarah D. Fell* for New York, from whence they will go by rail to their homes.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: "A private letter from Greensboro says Major Chas. M. Stedman is quite unwell. His many friends throughout the State will join the *News and Observer* in hoping that his illness is not serious and that he may speedily recover his usual good health."

Suffering From Drought.

Parties who have travelled in the farming districts contiguous to Wilmington during the past week, tell of incalculable damage wrought to all crops by the prolonged dry and excessively hot weather. Cotton has fared badly in most all sections, it is said, and opening has become premature. The hot weather has cut off all prospect of a "second" or "top crop," it is said, and hindered materially the maturing of bolls which were not grown when the drought set in. Other crops are also reported to have suffered, especially late corn.

New Firm at Wallace.

Mr. J. W. Brooks, of Wallace, N. C., was here yesterday, making purchases of the wholesale merchants for the firm of Brooks & Bradshaw, which has succeeded by purchase Messrs. Hill & Westbrook. Members of the new firm are Messrs. J. W. Brooks and L. V. Bradshaw, both young business men of much promise.

BANNERS PRESENTED

Col. Waddell Presented Testimonials of Faithful and Efficient Work.

THE BANNERS RECEIVED.

Ceremonies Attendant Upon the Event Were Pleasing and of Especial Interest to White Men--The Fifth Ward's Banner of 1870.

Testimonials of efficient work and painstaking care in the great campaign for White Supremacy which has just ended were last night presented in eloquent and congratulatory terms by Col. A. M. Waddell to the First, Third and Fifth wards, respectively, of this city.

As previously noted in the STAR, these testimonials, which will be preserved for future generations by prominent Democratic leaders in the wards, are very pretty and costly banners of silk given by the County Democratic Executive Committee for special distinctions, as shown by the returns from the election on the Amendment issue Thursday a week ago.

The formal presentation took place from the piazza of the residence recently purchased by Mr. B. H. J. Ahrens, on corner of Sixth and Market streets, and though the weather was threatening a fair delegation from each of the wards was present to take part in the ceremonies.

Col. Waddell in commencing his speech said that in his travels in eighteen counties in the State, from the mountains to the sea, he found that to the city of Wilmington was accorded the honor of setting the pace for the magnificent victory of 1898, which gave to the State a Legislature which made it possible for the people to pass upon the Constitutional Amendment, which has just been ratified by the people with such an overwhelming majority. All conceded that the most powerful impulse to a perpetual solution of the race problem, which had overshadowed the people since the sixties, was given by the men of New Hanover. We did our duty at least, said Col. Waddell, and we should feel satisfied of the results on both occasions. He felt gratified, he said, that there had been no noisy demonstration of victory or signs of unbecoming triumph over the vanquished, but that the sentiment of the people had been one rather of profound gratitude, which was the true sentiment of the white people of North Carolina.

He was impressed, he said, with the dignified and manly utterances of the press since the election. Rejoice not over the victory as one over a political foe, but rather feel a sense of deep gratitude, Col. Waddell said, that the race problem has been happily solved and will no longer handicap the white people in the race of civilization. The negro question as a political issue has been eliminated and an attempt to revive it will be an act of injustice and one of imbecility. The differences hereafter will be differences between white men, and, verily, we have been benefitted.

Coming more directly to the object of his speech, Col. Waddell said that the crowd had assembled for the purpose of paying tribute to delegations from three wards of the city for efficient work during the campaign and up to the day of election. The State banner should have come to New Hanover, he said, for she lacked but two of making the vote for the Amendment unanimous. Larger majorities were given in other counties because they were larger and contained more voters. It would only be just, he concluded, to award to New Hanover the banner which she richly deserves.

Col. Waddell then took the banners in their order presenting that of the First Ward to Capt. George L. Morton; that of the Third Ward to Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy and that of the Fifth Ward to Capt. J. M. McGowan, each of whom had been appointed by their respective wards to formally receive the trophies.

Capt. Morton, State Senator elect from the Tenth District, in accepting the banner presented to the First Ward for largest Democratic gains and thorough work, said that it was one of the greatest pleasures of his life to receive the banner in behalf of the voters of his ward, who had reversed the order of things and instead of giving a Republican majority of 1,200 to 1,500 now give equally as large a majority for the other side. He compared the contest to the Olympian games of Roman mythology, and upon the whole received the token with easy grace and modesty.

Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy next responded in behalf of the Third Ward, which was awarded the banner for polling the largest per centage of the registered votes for the Amendment. He took this, the first opportunity, he said, of congratulating the people upon the most triumphant victory ever recorded in the annals of the State. Mr. Bellamy said that he had lived in the Third Ward since 1860 and had voted therein since 1875. No ward was ever truer to Democracy than the Third. In this connection he paid his respects to Col. John L. Cantwell, Messrs. Timothy Donlan and W. B. McKoy, who had always labored for the integrity of the party. When coalition with Republicans had to be resorted to in order to secure recognition in the administration of city and county governments, they had always stood in connection and openly declared for pure Democracy untainted by alliances with the enemy. They preferred rather to go down with colors flying rather than be triumphant with victory sullied by wicked coalition. He made no disparagement of First and Fifth Wards, but closed with an inspiring reference to the voters whom he represented on this occasion.

No more enthusiastic speech was made than that by Capt. J. M. McGowan, who in behalf of the Fifth Ward received the banner for the largest Amendment majority in the late election. He referred to the sturdy character of the men and their unwavering fidelity to the cause of the white man. Butler and Pritchard had made a fight by money and the circulation of literature to prejudice the minds of the voters of his ward, but they had voted solidly without a single ballot against the cause of White Supremacy. The Third Ward had not this condition to confront or rather the Fifth Ward would have captured the distinction won by Third Ward. His reference to the past record of his ward were received with cheers, and feelingly he entrusted to the care of the custodian the banner which he predicted would wave triumphantly many times again in future years.

Notes of the Meeting.

The delegation from the Fifth Ward which came to receive its banner brought along a drum corps and the banner which has been held by the ward for nearly twenty years. It was displayed on the speaker's stand and created quite as much interest as the new banners, which were seen last night for the first time. The old banner, which will be just as carefully preserved as the new, has this inscription: "Presented by the Ladies of Wilmington to the Fifth Ward Democratic Club for the Greatest Gain over the Merriman Vote of 1870, Held August 6th."

The inscription and design of the new banners have already been described in detail in these columns.

COL. W. F. FRENCH DEAD.

Died Suddenly Sunday Afternoon at His Home in Lumberton, N. C.—Was Well Known Here.

News was received in the city yesterday through a private letter of the death at Lumberton of Col. W. Foster French, one of the best known and most highly esteemed citizens and attorneys of Robeson county.

Col. French died suddenly about 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon. He was well known in Wilmington and during the last State campaign he fought courageously for the success of White Supremacy in the State. He visited Wilmington several times during the campaign and made one or more speeches here. He was a gentleman of rare intellect and a gifted scholar.

Col. French was a son of the late Daniel D. French, who was a brother of the late Judge R. S. French, a well known jurist of his day. Deceased was born in Norfolk, Va., in the year 1842 and was therefore about 58 years ofage. He removed with his father to Lumberton about the year 1855 and later received his education as an attorney, which profession he practiced with success until his death, having been at the time a member of the firm of French & Norment.

During the war he served valiantly as Colonel of a regiment of N. C. Junior Reserves and proved himself a leader of men. He had always taken a warm interest in the government of his State and nation and served in the General Assembly as a member of the House from his county.

He is survived by a daughter and two sons. Mr. W. R. French, Clerk of the Criminal Court, and Mr. Beverly T. French, both of this city, are first cousins of the deceased.

PROF. CATLETT CHOSEN.

Elected Yesterday Afternoon County Superintendent of Public Instruction, Vice Capt. E. W. Manning Resigned.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Board of County School Directors held yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the Court House, Prof. Washington Catlett was unanimously selected County Superintendent of Public Instruction to succeed Capt. Ed. Wilson Manning, resigned. Prof. Catlett will immediately take possession of the affairs of the office, as Capt. Manning's resignation took effect yesterday.

Prof. Catlett is a teacher by profession and he is eminently qualified for the office as his long and successful career as principal of Cape Fear Academy will attest. It is understood that his election will in no way interfere with his duties at the school, as he will have a corps of competent assistants.

There were only two other applicants for the position, both of whom were highly endorsed. They were Rev. P. C. Morton and Prof. A. J. Howell, Jr.

Other business transacted at yesterday's meeting consisted of the auditing of bills for current expenses and the examination and approval of the monthly report of County Treasurer H. McL. Green. Col. W. A. Johnson presided at the meeting and Captain Donald MacRae and Mr. W. H. Sprunt, the other members of the Board, were present.

A Base Ball Game.

An interesting game of base ball between the "Little Hammers" and the "Hard Nuts" was played yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Third and Dock streets. The game resulted in a score of 7 to 0 in favor of the "Little Hammers," the battery for which was Eilers and Eubanks. The battery for the opposing team was Daniels and Russ.

MRS. ANN ELIZA MEARES.

Passed Peacefully Away at Her Home in This City Sunday Morning—The Funeral Held Yesterday.

Mrs. Ann Eliza Meares, wife of Judge Oliver Pendleton Meares, entered into life eternal at her residence in this city Sunday morning at 7.30 o'clock. An invalid for many years, her lovely Christian character had given her strength to bear with fortitude the will of her Heavenly Father.

She was the daughter of the late Dr. Thomas H. Wright, one of the most influential and beloved men of his day, and was born in this city in the old historic house of her fore fathers on corner of Third and Market streets. Gentle of manner, amiable, affectionate, highly cultivated and possessed of rare conversational talent, she had endeared herself to all with whom she had come in contact. Few could be endowed with more attributes to win respect and love, and her death will cause a throb of sympathy and regret among a large circle of relatives and friends.

Mrs. Meares was a sister of the first wife of Mr. Clayton Giles and also of the mother of Rev. Dr. Robert Strange. Besides a sorrowing husband, she is survived by three daughters and two sons: Mrs. H. B. Short, Mrs. E. V. Baltzer, Miss Carrie Meares, Mr. T. Wright Meares and Mr. Penn Meares. The last named is now residing in Georgia, but was here when his mother died.

The funeral services were conducted yesterday morning at 11 o'clock from St. James' Episcopal Church, Rev. Robert Strange, D. D., the rector, officiating. He was assisted in the services by Rev. Dr. James Carmichael, rector of St. John's parish.

The interment was in Oakdale cemetery and the following were the pallbearers: Honorary, Col. T. C. McIlhenny, Col. A. M. Waddell, Col. W. L. DeRosset, Col. Jno. W. Atkinson, Col. Jno. D. Taylor, Capt. J. Alvis Walker, Mr. William Watters and Mr. Junius Davis; active, Messrs. W. A. Wright, W. B. McKoy, B. G. Empie, J. H. Boatwright, J. W. Murchison and William Latimer.

RULING BY PRODUCE EXCHANGE.

Order Made Regarding Sale of Spirits in Oil Barrels—Meeting Yesterday.

An important ruling regarding the sale of spirits of turpentine in kerosene barrels on the Wilmington market was made by the Board of Managers of the Produce Exchange at a special meeting held yesterday. Hitherto stock offered in this grade of casks has been classed as "irregular" or "country" casks and therefore salable at a half cent or more below prices given for spirits in machine made barrels. The Exchange ruled at the meeting yesterday that stock offered in the future in oil barrels be treated the same as machine made casks so far as regards price per gallon, but that a deduction of twenty-five cents be made for each cask or barrel so sold.

Other items of business transacted was the election to membership of Col. John Wilder Atkinson and the election to the Board of Managers of Capt. H. K. Nash to succeed Mr. L. P. McKenzie, whom, STAR readers will remember, left last week for Charlotte to reside permanently there.

The meeting was presided over by Mr. W. B. Cooper, president of the Exchange.

CHILDREN WILL ARRIVE TO-DAY.

Odd Fellows' Orphans Will Pass Through the City This Morning.

The children of the Odd Fellows' Orphanage at Goldsboro will arrive this morning via the Atlantic Coast Line and will be taken immediately to Southport on the steamer *Wilmington*, which will be in waiting for them at the A. C. L. wharf, as stated in Sunday's STAR. Besides the attendants who will chaperone the children, there will be thirty-eight in number, twenty-one of whom are boys and seventeen girls. Messrs. M. C. Guthrie and O. D. Burriss, constituting the committee of reception from Atlantic Lodge No. 43 of Southport, came up yesterday and will go down to Southport with the children to-day. To-night the entertainment will be given and to-morrow afternoon the children will return to the city and repeat the entertainment given at Southport in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium here.

Seashore Arrivals.

Among Sunday's and yesterday's arrivals at The Orton were the following: Messrs. A. T. Harper, Goldsboro; Chas. H. Johnston, of Bingham's School, Mebane; W. B. Hicks, Frank Page, Biscoe; S. G. Miles, M. Stackhouse and Dr. D. F. Miles, Marion, S. C.; Dr. G. B. Patterson, Fayetteville; A. L. Hall and wife Cumnock, N. C.; Fred E. Rowe, Bennettsville, S. C.; J. A. Brown, Chadbourn; W. H. Fonville, Goldsboro; W. H. Murphy, Jr., Rennert; R. K. Breeden and wife, Bennettsville, S. C.; D. W. McNaughton and wife, Boardman; Dr. J. P. Brown and A. L. Jones, Union City; W. R. Allen, Goldsboro; J. B. Schulken, Whiteville.

New Crop Cotton.

A bale of new crop cotton was sold at Laurinburg Saturday afternoon by Mr. Daniel C. Lytch, which breaks all records for early marketing in that section. Another bale of new staple was also sold at Red Springs Saturday. It was raised by Mr. J. D. Gibson and was sold to Messrs. Livermore & Pates for 9 cents. It weighed 494 pounds. The new bale for Maxton was reported in Sunday's STAR.

THE NAVAL RESERVES

Will Leave for Their Annual Outing at Southport Next Saturday Night.

BENEFIT EXCURSION FRIDAY.

Trip to the Bahamas Had to Be Abandoned on Account of Recent Illness of Lieut. Skelding—All Anticipate a Delightful Event.

The Wilmington Division Naval Reserves will not take the contemplated cruise to the Bahamas on their staunch boat, the *Hornet*, which has been talked of for several months, but instead will go to Southport for a week, beginning next Saturday night. The health of Lieutenant Skelding, who is convalescing from a recent severe attack of typhoid fever, would not admit of his taking the cruise with the sailors and they preferred to take a cruise on which Lieutenant Skelding could be with them and one which would at the same time prove a benefit to his health and assist him in recuperating.

Saturday night the boat will go to sea for a target practice and will return to Southport and remain for a week, going for a cruise each day outside and returning at night.

The boat has ample accommodations for the forty odd jolly "tars," who will take their annual outing in this most delighful manner and nothing but encouragement should be given the boys from their employers, who, of course, will be asked to allow them this brief leave of absence.

Plans for the event were thoroughly reviewed at a meeting of the Division last night and in anticipation of the cruise a moonlight excursion will be run on the steamer *Wilmington* Friday night. A committee was appointed to arrange for the excursion as follows: Messrs. S. A. Matthews, A. A. Hergenrother and W. R. Stewart. The committee began work with a vim and within an hour after its appointment last night all plans for the benefit were consummated. There will be two boats, leaving Wilmington at 5.15 and 8 P. M., and the trip will be to Carolina Beach, with music and dancing for everybody. Refreshments will also be served.

W. L. I. WILL ATTEND.

Will Go to Raleigh to Participate in the Monument Unveiling Exercises.

The STAR several days ago published the very cordial invitation from the local committee and the permission of Acting Adjutant General Harris, extended to the Wilmington Light Infantry, to attend and take part in the very elaborate ceremonies planned to mark the unveiling of the Vance monument at Raleigh to-morrow week, August 22d.

Last night a meeting of the company was held for the purpose of condsidering the advisability of accepting the invitation and it was decided unanimously to attend the meeting as a company and to take part in the grand military parade arranged for the day.

The decision of the company to attend will be made known to the proper authorities in Raleigh, and in the meantime Mr. George P. James, the president, will name a committee to arrange all details here.

It is settled without a doubt that the "boys" will attend and it is to be hoped that no one will throw an impediment in the way of the company's going with full ranks.

Opera House Bookings.

Mr. S. A. Schloss, lessee and manager of the Wilmington Opera House, returned yesterday from a ten day's booking tour spent at New York and other prominent theatrical centres. He says that he has secured an unusually strong line of attractions for the coming season, which will be opened with Hermann, the Great, Friday night week. A partial list of the bookings is as follows: "The Bostonians, an opera company sixty-five strong; Frederick Warde in "The King's Jester;" Robert Downing in "Damon and Pythias;" Hoyt's "A Milk White Flag;" "The Circus Queen," a companion piece to "The Runaway Girl;" Field's Minstrels (September 21st); Matthews and Bulger in their ragtime opera "By the Sad Sea Waves;" James K. Hackett in "Rupert of Hentzau;" Charles Fronman's Zaza Company; Miss Annie Russell in "Miss Hobbs," a big New York success.

A Base Ball Challenge.

Manager James Sinclair, of the A. C. L. Auditing Department's base ball team, yesterday received a challenge for a game to be played next Saturday afternoon at Hilton Park. The challenge is from Manager James G. Cotchett, of a ball team recently organized by the clerks in the office of Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son. The line-up, as furnished by Manager Cotchett, is as follows: E. Moore, c.; H. Wood, p.; J. S. Williams, 1st b.; J. Jackson, 2nd b.; W. L. Moore, 3rd b.; T. R. Orrell, s. s.; Jas. Cotchett, l. f.; L. B. McKoy, c. f.; E. Wiggins, r. f.; substitute, W. J. Gordon.

Cape Fear Survey.

Capt. Charles Humphreys, assistant engineer of the Wilmington Corps of U. S Engineers, and Rodman B. A. Merritt left Sunday for Fayetteville to make a preliminary examination of the waters of the Cape Fear river at its present low stage, with a view to assisting the Board in making up its arrangements for the very decided improvement to the channel which has been in contemplation by government officials for some time.

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DEATH OF DR. I. M. C. LOFTIN.

After Patient Suffering With Cancer He Passed Away Yesterday at Noon.

News reached the city yesterday of the death of Dr. I. M. C. Loftin, one of the best known and most highly esteemed citizens of Pender county. Dr. Loftin had been afflicted for a number of years with cancer caused by a dog bite in the face when he was a boy. The cancer gradually grew worse, causing him the most intense pain until death came as a relief yesterday about noon at his home at Rocky Point,

Deceased was a native of Wayne county and was sixty-four years of age. He graduated in medicine early in life and went to Kenansville, N. C. to practice his profession. There he married Miss Elizabeth Pearsall and she remained devoted to him until his death.

In 1889 he moved to Rocky Point and has lived there since. He was in the cavalry service during the civil war and was a brave soldier. He was a member of St. John's lodge of Masons, of this city.

Surviving relatives of the deceased are a brother, Dr. P. B. Loftin, of Beaufort; a sister, Mrs. O. E. Hines, of Dudley; his wife and the following children: Messrs. I. C. and J. M. Loftin, of Wilmington; Messrs. S. E. and J. P. Loftin, Mrs. David Rountree and Misses Bessie and Minnie Loftin, of Rocky Point.

The funeral will take place at Pike Presbyterian church near his home this morning at 11 o'clock.

IMPROVED BUOY SERVICE.

Government Will Likely Mark Out Channel in Little River, S. C., Harbor.

The STAR learns that the government is contemplating some decided improvements to the buoy service in the Little River, S. C. harbor, which of course means much to the commercial interests of Wilmington in view of the fact that there is now a regular line of steamboats being operated by the Cape Fear and Little River Transportation Company between these ports.

Capt. A. E. Heilander, of Charleston, spent a short while here last week and went down to Little River to make a survey of the contemplated improved buoy service there. He will make his report to the Lighthouse Board and upon his recommendation, which it is learned will be a favorable one, the government will likely establish a line of buoys marking out the channel which will prove a valuable aid to navigation.

Capt. Heilander is in charge of the *Water Lily*, of the Lighthouse Department and an auxiliary buoy tender to the *Wistaria*. Once the buoys are established by the government, they will be maintained by it and the arrival and clearance of vessels from that port will be greatly facilitated.

DIED.

MEARES—On the morning of the 12th August, 1900, ANN ELIZA, wife of O. P. Meares, in her seventy-third year.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

St. John's Lodge No. 1, A. F. & A. M.

REGULAR MONTHLY COMMUNICATION this (Tuesday) evening at 8 o'clock at Temple Hall.
Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.
WM. M. POISSON, Secretary.
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THE GRADY SCHOOL, Turkey, N. C.,

will begin its next session September 3rd.
For particulars apply to B. F. GRADY.
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STATEMENT

SPRINGFIELD FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, of Massachusetts.
CONDITION DECEMBER 31ST, 1899, AS SHOWN BY STATEMENT FILED.

Capital Stock—Authorized, $1,500,000.00; Subscribed, $1,500,000.00; Paid in cash, $1,500,000.00.
Income—From Policy-holders, $1,693,182.14; Miscellaneous, $300.342.86; Total, $ 1,993,525.00
Disbursements—To Policy-holders, $1,066,940.41, Miscellaneous, $860,044.58; Total, 1,926,985.94
Risks—Written or renewed during year, $211,784,528.00; In force, 289,066,341.00

ASSETS.

Value of Real Estate (less amount of encumbrance)	$ 196,400.00
Value of Stocks and Bonds (United States, State, etc., owned)	3,546,535.00
Loans on Real Estate (first lien on fee-simple)	647,800.00
Loans on Stocks, Bonds and other securities	39,535.00
Interest and rents due and accrued	48,142.94
Cash in Home Office and deposited in Banks	131,895.99
Premiums unpaid	290,395.71
All other Assets, detailed in statement	3,645 50
Total	$4,884,340.14

LIABILITIES.

Losses unpaid	$ 172,663.83
Unearned Premiums	1,476,584.27
Total Liabilities as to policy-holders	$ 1,649,247.80
Capital Paid up	1,500,000.00
Surplus beyond all Liabilities	1,535 092.34
Total Liabilities	$ 4,884,340.14

BUSINESS IN NORTH CAROLINA IN 1899.
Risks written, $11,784.83; Premiums received, $10,703.49.
Losses incurred, $5,840.07; Paid, $4,424.35.
President, A. W. DAMON.
Secretary, S. J. HALL.
Home Office, No. 393 Main street, Springfield, Mass.
General Agent for service, W. S. PRIMROSE, Raleigh, N. C.
Business Manager for North Carolina, Maj. J. B. EZELL, Raleigh, N. C.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, INSURANCE DEPARTMENT, RALEIGH, April 9, 1900.

I, JAMES R. YOUNG, Insurance Commissioner, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the Springfield Fire and Marine Insurance Company, of Massachusetts, filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1899.

Witness my hand and official seal, the day and date above written.
JAMES R. YOUNG, Insurance Commissioner.
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DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

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6.30 A. M	7.45 A. M.
10.10 A. M	11.30 A. M.
3.30 P. M.	3.45 P. M.
5.00 P. M.	6.00 P. M.
7.15 P. M.	10.00 P. M.

SUNDAY TRAIN.

Leave Wilmington.	Leave Ocean View
10 10 A. M.	11.30 A. M.
3.30 P. M.	6.00 P. M.
7.15 P. M.	9.00 P. M.

Every Friday and Saturday on account of Club House dances the last train will leave the Beach at 11 P. M. instead of 10.00.
Freight will be carried only on the 10.10 A. M. and 5.7. M. trains except fresh meats, ice and vegetables, which will be taken on the 6.30 train. No goods will be received unless accompanied by way bills and FREIGHT PREPAID. Freight must be received at our depot 15 minutes before leaving time of train. No exceptions will be made to these rules.
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MOON'S PHASES.

First Quarter	3	11:45 a.m.	Third Quarter	17	6:44 a.m.
Full Moon	10	4:30 p.m.	New Moon	24	10:52 p.m.

The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

TUESDAY MORNING, AUGUST 14.

NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

For President:

WILLIAM J. BRYAN, of Nebraska.

For Vice-President:

ADLAI E. STEVENSON, of Illinois.

WHERE IT HURTS

We have recently quoted something from a Washington letter to the Baltimore *Sun* showing how some of the Republicans in Washington feel about negro suffrage in the South. We also quoted something from the New York *Post* showing what citizens of that city think of it. The following from the New York *Tribune* is confirmatory of the extract quoted from the *Post*, but we quote it principally because it shows the line of argument adopted by some of the Republican organs to create a sentiment in favor of reducing representation in the South in Congress and in the electorial college, which they would like to do if that were practicable. Under the heading of "North Carolina Wronging New York," it says:

"I don't blame the Southern States a bit for disfranchising the 'nigger,'" was the comment of an intelligent looking citizen upon the result of the North Carolina 'Red Shirt' campaign. It was a remark that is often heard or that can often be elicited by reference to the subject. Perhaps the sentiment thus expressed is stronger and more general in New York than elsewhere in the North, because in this city the evils of an illiterate and mercenary vote are more directly and oppressively felt than elsewhere. No rational man relishes seeing political control of the community intrusted to those who are too ignorant to use it aright or who, through the possession or the lack of certain qualities, are likely to become the tools of corrupt bosses. And New Yorkers know that in some of the Southern Staets ignorance led by corruption has reached depths of misgovernment almost as bad as those long sounded by this metropolis.

"The question is not, however, merely one of disfranchising ignorant negroes in the South. That is a serious part of the question, but it is one which is to be dealt with by the Southern States themselves. The part of it which is still more serious and which strongly concerns the rest of the country is that of the disfranchisement of intelligent white men in the North and West. For that, as certainly as the other, is involved in the general proposition. So long as the apportionment of Representatives in Congress remains as it is, the disfranchisement of a negro in the South means the disfranchisement of a citizen, white or black, in the North. The latter may still cast a vote. But it is not a full vote. It is only a half vote, or a quarter vote, or perhaps only one-tenth of a vote. That is to say, suppression of votes in one part of the country, no matter how it may be effected, reduces the value and the potency of all votes cast elsewhere in the country; so that to-day it takes two or three, or seven or eight, votes in one State to equal one vote cast in another State.

"For example, to cite the figures given in The *Tribune's* Washington correspondence of recent date, in New-York and the rest of the North and the West it takes on the average about 37,200 votes to elect one Representative in Congress, while in Mississippi and other Southern States it takes only 4,700 to elect one. So each voter in the latter States wields with his ballot nearly eight times as much political power as one in the former. Or, to state the same fact in a different form, each voter in the former states is seven-eighths disfranchised. There are Congress districts in the North and West which cost from 50,000 to 60,000 each for their Representatives, while two Southern States together poll in all only 54,000 votes, and yet have thirteen Representatives; so that the Representative from one of the former districts is, in comparison, not a whole Representative, but only one-thirteenth of one! Five Southern States with only 185,000 votes elect thirty-seven Representatives, while the State of New York, with 1,250,000 votes, elects only thirty-four, so each voter and each Representative of New York is degraded to less than one-seventh of the rank and potency of his Southern compatriot.

"I don't blame the South for disfranchising the 'niggers,'" says the citizens of New York, half complacently, half sympathetically. No; but does he approve of its disfranchisement of himself? That is the question. It was one of the conditions of half a century ago that most accentuated the iniquity of slavery as a politicial institution that the voters of the South had, on the basis of their slaves, an increased voting power over those of the North. Precisely that same result has been attained and that same grievance imposed to-day, the only difference being that its basis is not slavery, but legal disfranchisement. If any State, North or South—for this is not necessarily a sectional question—wants to disfranchise a part of its people, within the limits of the Constitution, it has a right to do so. But it has no right to disfranchise by indirection the people of another State. It should have the courage to face the legitimate consequence of its action in losing the votes or those whom it has disfranchised and the electorial power thereof. It should not expect to be able to suppress votes and to keep them, too."

In spite of their efforts to conceal it sectionalism is the predominating feature in such appeals as this. The men who make them don't care a continental about the vote of the negro, if eliminating that vote also eliminated the representation, based partly on the negro population. If they had done the fair, square, honest thing in foisting that vote upon the South, they might complain with some appearance of consistency at eliminating it, but with them it is simply a case of chickens coming home to roost. They are hit by their own boomerang and it hurts. They by arbitratry act of a Republican Congress made the emancipated slaves voters for the express purpose of making Republican States in the South to offset the States they were fearful of losing in the North, and thus perpetuate the power of the Republican party through these enfranchised negroes.

They have the cheek to talk about wronging New York, or any other Northern State. Wasn't this wronging the people of the South, many of whose white voters were disfranchised by the same Congress that enfranchised the ex-slaves?

Wasn't it wronging the Democratic voters in States which cast their votes against the Republican party, to thus nullify their votes with the votes of the enfranchised negroes, the large majority of whom didn't know the difference between an election ticket and a leaf from an almanac? But the wrong comes in not upon the State of New York or any other State, but it hurts the Republican party and that's what's the matter. If they were sure of holding States enough to keep the Republican party in power what became of the negro contingent would never worry them, and the probabilities are they would rather see him disfranchised than not.

They admit that North Carolina and other States which have adopted restricted suffrage have had good and sufficient reasons for doing so, and they know, too, that nine-tenths of the Northern men who have made their homes in the South or have pecuniary interests in the South, regardless of politics, endorse this disfranchisement, and they would endorse it if it didn't operate against the Republican party. They would cheerfully accept the disfranchisement not only of the ignorant negroes, but of all negroes if that carried with it reduced representation from the South, but as it doesn't they howl, and complain about being "wronged." They may, perhaps, think they are being wronged, but they are simply paying the penalty of their own plotting to keep the Republican party in power in spite of the white voters of the country. A case of well deserved retribution. Men who are thus caught in their own trap should have manhood enough not to squeal, although it may hurt.

To be consistent why don't they howl about States which have small populations, States like Nebraska, for instance, (which hasn't population enough to entitle it to one Congressman if the vote were based on population), having as much representation in the Senate as New York and other populous States? Don't that "wrong" them? Of course those States are entitled to such a representation, but not a whit more than the Southern States are to the representation based on their population, and it is the population which counts, not the *voters*.

In discussing this question Senator Chandler, who would like to do something about it, can't see any way to do it and remarks that the Republicans are in a *cul-de-sac*, and that's about where they are, and it is a *cul-de-sac* of their own construction. That hurts them and it probably also makes them wrathy.

A PERTURBED ORGAN.

For some time the Republican organs have been calling on Wm. J. Bryan to tell them how he would close up the Philippine business in the event he be elected to the Presidency, and when he complies with their request or banter they get up on their hind legs and howl about it, because he is candid enough to tell them and the American people just what he would do, and because his way differs from McKinley's way. They are even accusing him of treading very near the treason line. This is the way the New York *Sun* raves about it:

Among the ten thousand words of Mr. Bryan's painfully wrought essay on the theme that "republics can have no subjects," these only are deserving of serious consideration:

"If elected I shall convene Congress in extraordinary session as soon as I am inaugurated, and recommend an immediate declaration of the nation's purpose, first, to establish a stable form of government in the Philippine Islands, just as we are now establishing a stable form of government in the island of Cuba; second, to give independence to the Filipinos, just as we have promised to give independence to the Cubans; third, to protect the Filipinos from outside interference while they work out their destiny, just as we have protected the republics of Central and South America, and are, by the Monroe doctrine, pledged to protect Cuba."

This is definite enough as a statement of intentions and pledge of action in case Mr. Bryan is elected President. He will convene Congress in extraordinary session and use all power that a President can exert to induce Congress to withdraw the flag of the United States from the Philippine Islands.

When Mr. Bryan pronounced these words, did it occur to him that he might be giving at that very moment the signal for the death of hundrds or thousands of our soldiers in the Philippines?

The United States Government is engaged in stamping out the embers of rebellion in Luzon; and our men there are doing their duty under the flag.

"The insurrection in Luzon has found its mainstay in the encouragement to continued resistance which the utterances of certain American citizens here at home have afforded to its leaders. Most of Aguinaldo's sympathizers have been persons without official responsibility, like Atkinson and Garrison and Winslow. A few, like Pettigrew, hold Federal office without exerting much influence on American opinion. But the utterances of even these irresponsibles and lightweights have served, as Lawton testified just before his own death, to speed the bullets that have sent our office and privates to the grave.

"And now the man who will be President of the United States if the Democracy wins this election sends to the insurgents his message of hope and stimulus.

"'Keep up your fight,' he says to Aguinaldo's Tagals. "Keep on shooting down the men who wear the United States uniform. If I am elected you will have won.'

"In the maze of his theoretical argumentation and in the confusion of his rhetorical detail, did William J. Bryan really understand how near he was to treason?

"Did he foresee the one direct, practical, murderous effect of his promise to the rebels in arms against the United States Government and flag?"

Until quite recently the *Sun* had such a low opinion of Bryan's ability and leadership that it was in the habit of referring to him as "The Boy Orator of the Platte." He seems to have grown on the *Sun*. But according to the *Sun* and other expansion organs hasn't every one who opposes the policy of forcible expansion given aid and comfort to the Filipinos and got very near the treason line? Senators Hoar, Mason and Hale were classed in the same company with Bryan and other anti-Imperialists, but as Hoar and Mason have consented to support McKinley, while not renouncing their anti-expansion views, they are all right.

But this shriek of the *Sun* is nonsense, pure and simple, for instead of causing the death of "hundreds or thousands of our soldiers in the Philippines," Bryan's declaration will have a tendency to prevent fighting and save lives unless our soldiers go out and hunt up fights, for the Filipinos can very well afford to remain inactive until the result of the Presidential election is known, when they will know whether there is to be any change in the policy pursued towards them. If the American people elect Bryan and thus endorse the declaration which the *Sun* says borders so closely on treason, what excuse will the McKinley administration have in forcing a war of extermination in opposition to this expression of popular sentiment? In that case the people will be with Bryan and the fellows who get close to "treason" will be on the other side. That's what they are afraid of.

THE GERMAN VOTE.

The German-American vote is always a factor in our national elections, and in several of the Northern States a dominating factor, for it holds the balance of power. No one doubts that a considerable portion of that vote will be lost to the Republican party at the next election. Even the Republican managers admit this, and what they are striving to do now is to prevent the departure from becoming general.

To what extent this defection now exists is a matter of conjecture, but the reports from correspondents of Republican papers, who presumably have been instructed to gather all the information they can bring upon this, do not make very cheerful reading for the Republican party managers. The Chicago correspondent of the New York *Press*, a strong administration supporter, admits that the Germans of the West have abandoned McKinley. Eight years ago 75 per cent. of those in Illinois voted for Cleveland, four years ago 75 per cent. of them voted for McKinley on the silver issue. Now he says:

"Out of 846 German newspapers printed in the United States not more than 10 per cent. are out for McKinley. Four years ago the German press was practically unanimous for the national ticket on the money issue. If the changed tone of the German press reflects German-American sentiment then it will be folly for the Republican leaders to blind their eyes to the fact that there is a defection of that vote:

And these ten per cent. support McKinley not because they like him or approve his administration or his policy in reference to our island acquisitions, but because they profess to be afraid that Bryan's election would result in the repeal of the gold standard legislation. The success that the Republicans will have in holding the German vote will depend altogether on the success they meet with in persuading them that imperialism is a wise issue and that the paramount issue is free coinage at 16 to 1. So far they are not making much progress in that.

Wm. J. Reilly, of Philadelphia, is not a professional base ball player, but he made a remarkable catch the other day. A little boy in a fourth story window saw a butterfly and in the effort to catch it leaned too far out of the window and toppled over. Reilly's attention was attracted by the scream, and looking up he saw the little fellow coming down. Reaching out he caught the boy on the drop.

A farmer in Indiana recently made a hundred dollars by showing due regard to the feelings of a setting hen. He was about to sell his wheat, but when he went to the granary discovered one of his hens incubating a nest of eggs. He thought it a pity to disturb her and concluded to postpone marketing his wheat until she concluded hatching. When she did wheat had advanced in price and he got a hundred dollars more than he would have gotten if he had sold when he intended to.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Newbern *Journal*: Yesterday a colored boy by the name of Wise Simmons, was killed by being run over by a hand car on the Atlantic Coast Line, in this city.

— Lincoln *Journal*: Mr. J. A. Lore and his tenants made on the Caldwell place this year 3,167 bushels of wheat. Of this, 1,850 bushels was Mr. Lore's individual crop made on 80 acres.

— Madison *Observer*: Mr. Wm. Dodson was accidently killed last Thursday near Prestonville. He was hauling logs and his wagon turned over and caught him under the log, mashing his head flat, killing him instantly.

— Salisbury *Sun*: Mr. John A. Murphy is growing a new front tooth. Yesterday he had a dentist to pull an old loose tooth and found a new one already through the gum. Mr. Murphy is 51 years old.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: Mr. John A. Kendall and his mother while out driving Friday were thrown from a buggy and the latter fatally injured. Mrs. Kendall resided in Georgia and was visiting relatives in Wadesboro at the time of the accident. She died in about one hour after receiving her injuries. Mr. Kendall will recover. —— Alex Jordan, a negro, dangerously shot his wife Friday night at his home in a disreputable quarter of Greensboro, known as "Dublin." Jordan was drunk and quarrelled with his wife. The ball went through the woman's head, going in near the nose and coming out in the rear. The woman is not expected to live.

— Newton *Enterprise*: The election was the most quiet one ever held in the county. The arrangement for one man to go to the polls at a time and vote as he pleased, unmolested by any man, gave perfect satisfaction. Numbers of voters from different precincts say they never want an election held any other way. —— Mr. Amos Saine's store and Mull Grove post-office, in Bandy township, were burned last Saturday night. The origin of the fire is not known, but it is supposed that the store was robbed and then set on fire. About four weeks ago the store was broken into and an attempt made to burn it, but the fire went out. Mr. Saine's loss was the building and about $500 in goods. The postoffice was kept in the store, and its contents were also lost.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: Mr. J. M. Davis, the Harnett member of the board of canvarsers, which met at Roseboro yesterday to canvass the vote for senators for the district composed of Sampson, Harnett and Bladen, arrived here from Roseboro this afternoon. He says the board gave certificates of election to George H. Currie, Democrat, of Bladen, and Evander Robbertson, Populist, of Sampson. Thus a Democrat and Populist will represent that district in the Senate. The reason why Mr. Currie was elected and his Democratic colleague defeated, was that the vote of the other Fusion nominee, Mr. James T. Kennedy, was split, some of the ballots containing the name of James F. Kennedy, which enabled the board to give the certificate to one of the Democratic nominees and they chose Mr. Currie.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— We fail to find a note of regret anywhere, among either Democrats or Republicans, over the feature of the result of the North Carolina election which insures the retirement of the pestiferous Marion Butler.—*Louisville Courier-Journal, Dem.*

—— The Administration is having a spell of Republican luck just now. The war in China serves very happily to divert the attention of the great American public from the costly and bloody and futile war in the Philippines, which the reports show to be as far from an end as it was two years ago.—*Charleston News and Courier, Dem.*

— Chairman Hanna has gone to Boston to scare the New England beneficiaries of the protective tariff into giving up a percentage of their plunder for the use of the Republican National Committee. It is said that just before leaving New York Mr. Hanna received a big check from Collis P. Huntington. It will be recalled that nothing practical has been done by the Republican Congress to forward the Nicaragua Canal project.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

—— Gen. John M. Palmer, candiate of the gold Democrats in 1896 for the presidency, announces he will vote for McKinley. As to imperialism the general says: "This is a false alarm. This country is not, nor are McKinley and his followers, believers in imperialism." Gen. Palmer has had a peculiar political experience. He once left the Republican party; and now the Democratic party seems to have left him. As both the general and party appear content with his present arrangement, nobody will object.—*Chicago News, Ind.*

— "Why does Miss Passe object to bathing?" Oh, it's merely a matter of form."

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters;' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cts., guaranteed, at R. B. BELLAMY'S Drug Store. †

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— An Authority on China: Husband—"I'd like to know what is to become of China?" Wife—"I guess the hired girl can tell you."—*Detroit Free Press*

— He—"I love you with all my heart, with all my mind, my every thought, my——" She (interrupting)—"Yes, I know. But all that means so little!"

— Mental Effort in July: "You are very quiet to night, Charlotte." "Yes, I have read something to day, and I wanted to talk to you about it but I can't think what it was."—*Chicago Record.*

— Teacher—"Now, Tommy, give me a sentence, and then we'll change it to the imperative form." Tommy—"The horse draws the wagon." Teacher—"Now put it in the imperative." Tommy—"Gee up!"

— Doctor—"What you need is change and rest." Patient—"I can't afford it. My income's pretty well requisitioned already. My children get all the change and my wife gets the rest."—*Philadelphia Press.*

— Metamorphosis: Mrs. Wiggles—'Before Mr. Wiggles married me, he used to say I was a duck." Mrs. Waggles—"And you were goose enough to believe him, I suppose?" Mrs. Wiggles (sobbing)—"Y-yes! And only yesterday he referred to me as an old h-h hen."—*Somerville Journal.*

— Flank Movement—"Say," said the man with the hobo appearance, "could you put something in the paper for me?" "What is it?" asked the easiest man on the force. "Well, let's see. You might make it a cheese sandwich, half a cold chicken, an' a quart of beer. If you don't feel like takin' the trouble of wrappin' all them things in a paper, jis' gimme the price an' I'll 'tend to it myself."—*Indianapolis Press.*

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

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BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute			8½
Standard			9
Burlaps	6	@	6¼
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	12	@	14
Sides ℔ ℔		@	8½
Shoulders ℔ ℔		@	8½
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔		@	7¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔		@	18
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each		@	1 45
Second-hand machine		@	1 50
New New York, each		@	1 45
New City, each		@	1 45
BEESWAX ℔ ℔		@	25
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	6 75	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	20	@	25
Northern	25	@	30
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks		@	57½
Virginia Meal		@	57½
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	1 40	@	1 45
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	12	@	13
Dairy Cream	13½	@	14
State	11½	@	12
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	13	@	16
Rio	11	@	12
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s		@	70
EGGS—℔ dozen	8	@	12
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl.	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl.	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel		@	4 50
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel		@	8 25
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@	10
" Extra	4 25	@	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—			
Low grade		@	3 25
Choice		@	3 75
Straight	4 00	@	4 15
First Patent	4 50	@	5 00
GLUE—℔ ℔	10½	@	11½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White		@	62½
Car-load, in bgs—White	59	@	60
Oats, from store	35	@	36½
Oats, Rust Proof	40	@	42½
Cow Peas		@	1 00
HIDES—℔ ℔—			
Green salted		@	5½
Dry flint	19	@	19½
Dry salt		@	9
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s			
No 1 Timothy		@	1 00
Rice Straw	40	@	50
Eastern	90	@	1 00
Western	90	@	1 00
North River		@	90
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔		@	3¼
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	7¾	@	9
North Carolina	8	@	10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	@	1 20
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—			
ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogsheads		@	35
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	38
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	28	@	30
Porto Rico, in barrels	28	@	32½
Sugar House, in hogsheads	13	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	15	@	35
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis		@	2 50
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess	13 50	@	14 00
Rump		@	14 50
Prime		@	13 00
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10	@	22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	1 25
Liverpool	90	@	95
American, quality	85	@	90
On 125 ℔ Sacks		@	60
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00	@	6 50
Common	1 60	@	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50	@	2 75
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd		@	6⅝
Standard A		@	6¼
White Extra C		@	5⅝
Extra C, Golden		@	5¼
C Yellow		@	15½
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3½	@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—O. barrel	6 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	8 00	@	9 00
Common mill	4 00	@	5 00
Fair mill	5 00	@	6 00
Prime mill	6 50	@	7 50
Extra mill	8 00	@	9 00
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed ℔ M 6x24 heart	4 25	@	5 50
" Sap	3 00	@	3 25
5x20 Heart	2 25	@	2 50
" Sap	1 60	@	1 75
TALLOW, ℔ ℔		@	4
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon Northern	1 00	@	2 10

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, August 13.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Market steady at 39¼ cents per gallon bid for machine made casks at 38¼ cents per gallon bid for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.20 per barrel for strained and $1.25 for good strained.

TAR—Market quiet at $1.40 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market dull at $1.40 per barrel for hard, $2.40 for dip, and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine firm at 48½@48c; rosin firm at 90@95c; tar firm at $1.80; crude turpentine firm at $1.35, 2 60 @2.60

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	86
Rosin	484
Tar	69
Crude turpentine	126

Receipts same day last year.—192 casks spirits turpentine, 713 bbls rosin, 431 bbls tar, 74 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Nothing doing.

Same day last year middling steady at 5¾c.

Receipts —00 bales; same day last year, 00.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 70c. Extra prime, 75c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 77½@80c. Virginia—Prime, 50c; extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c.

CORN—Firm, 53 to 60 cents per bushel for white.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide-water) 85 cents; upland, 50@60 cents. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 11 to 12c per pound; shoulders, 7 to 8½c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, $2.25 to 3.25; six-inch, $4.00 to 5.00; seven-inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.50 to 10.00 per M.

LOCAL SECURITIES.

Quotations on local securities, furnished and regularly corrected by Hugh MacRae & Co.:

STOCKS.	BID.	ASKED.
A. C. L. of Conn., 5 per ct. Certs	110¼	111¼
A. C. L. of Conn., stock	221	224
A. C. L. Common	73	76
A. C. L. preferred	103½	104
W. & W. 7 per ct Certs	144½	147
N. C. R. R.	160	165
Delgado Mills	102	105¾
Wilmington Cotton Mills, pfd	110	115
Wilmington Gas Light Co	70	75
Carolina Insurance Co	105	107
Underwriters' Insurance Co	106	107
National Bank of Wilmington	130	...
Atlantic National Bank	205	...
Murchison National Bank	110	114
Wil. Savings & Trust Co	200	...
Blue Ridge National Bank	119	116
Warren Manuf'ng Co., preferred	100¾	106
Abbeville Cotton Mills	98	100
Southern Cotton Mills	95	98
Piedmont Manufacturing Co	180	183
Pacolet Manufacturing Co	245	253
F. W. Poe Manufacturing Co (old)	117	119½
Anderson Cotton Mills	133	130
Pelzer Manufacturing Co	180	184
Gaffney Manufacturing Co	122	124
Grendel Cotton Mills	101	103
Clifton Manufacturing Co	185	193
Orr Manufacturing Co	104	106
Odell Manufacturing Co	110	113
McColl Manufacturing Co	123	126
Darlington Manufacturing Co	97	100
Bennettsville Manufacturing Co	110	113
BONDS.		
N. C. 4's	105¾	106¼
N. C. 6's	135	136½
City Wilm. 5's, gold, 1923	110	112
City Wilm. 6's, 1910	100	...
City Wilm. 6's	100	...
Wilmington, gold 4's	99	101
Masonic Temple 1st 6's	105	...
Masonic Temple 2d 6's	...	100½
Wilmington Compress Co.'s 8's	85	...
A. C. L. 4's, certs	97	99
Wilmington & Weldon 6's	115½	117
Wilmington & Newbern 4's	101	102¾
N. H. County, 5's, gold	100	103

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Aug. 13.—Money on call steady at 1¼ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4@5 per cent. Sterling exchange weak, with actual business in bankers' bills at 487¼@487½ for demand and 483¾ for sixty days. Posted rates 484¼@485 and 488¼@489. Commercial bills 483¼@483¾. Silver certificates 61¼@62¾. Bar silver 61. Mexican dollars 48¾. Government bonds steady. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds firm. U. S. refunding 2's reg'd, 103¾; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 103¾; U. S. 2's, reg'd, 100; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 109; do. coupon, 109; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 132½; do. coupon, 132½; U. S. old 4's, reg'd, 115; do. coupon, 115; U. S. 5's, reg'd, 113; do. coupon, 111; Southern Railway 5's 108¾. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 75; Chesapeake & Ohio 27½; Manhattan L 91¼; N. Y. Central 130; Reading 16¾; do. 1st pref'd 59¼; St. Paul 114¾; do. pref'd 170; Southern Railway 11; do. pref'd 52¾; American Tobacco, 95¼; do. pref'd 128; People's Gas 99¼; Sugar 125; do. pref'd 117; T. C. & Iron 71½; U. S. Leather 10¼; do. preferred 68¼; Western Union 80¾.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Aug. 13.—Rosin dull. Spirits turpentine dull.

CHARLESTON, Aug. 13.—Spirits turpentine nominal; nothing doing. Rosin firm; sales — casks. Quotations unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Aug. 13.—Spirits turpentine firm at 39¾c; sales — casks; receipts 1,586 casks; exports 240 casks. Rosin firm; sales 1,004 barrels; receipts 1,547 barrels; exports 3,275 barrels. Prices unchanged.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, August 13.—The cotton market opened barely steady with prices unchanged to ten points lower, but immediately developed strong characteristics, heavy buying and a bad scare of local shorts. The early and late cables from Liverpool were emphatically strong. News from all parts was bullish, while the speculative public manifested an eagerness to take the long side and adopt aggressive tactics. By noon an advance of three to nineteen points had been recorded with subsequent fluctuations, showing still further improvement. Friends of the market had an abundance of inspiration and ammunition in the way of light receipts at all points in the South, unfavorable weather reports, poor crop accounts, evidences of increasing spot demand in the South, despite higher prices and indications of a general improvement in the China war situation. A significant feature of the crop movement was an absence of new cotton at many points, while none of the centers of accumulation noted large arrivals. Galveston reported but 75 new bales against 654 bales last year the same day. Houston received no new cotton, whereas 389 bales were reported a year ago. Rumors that Neill was about to issue a bullish circular and that the Mississippi valley had been visited by a cloud burst; aided bulls in the late session. Nevertheless, profit taking restrained overzealous longs. At the close the market was very steady with prices net nine to sixteen points higher.

NEW YORK, Aug. 13.—Cotton quiet; middling uplands 10¼c.

Cotton futures closed very steady: August 9.46, September 8.84, October 8.60, November 8.49, December 8.44, January 8.45, February 8.47, March 8.49, April 8.51, May 8.54, June 8.56.

Spot cotton closed quiet at ⅛c advance; middling uplands 10¼c; middling gulf 10½c; sales — bales.

Net receipts — bales; gross receipts 895 bales; stock 37,570 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 1,585 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,711 bales; exports to the Continent 416 bales; stock 99,904 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 1,871 bales; exports to the Continent 470 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 6,497,247 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,324,858 bales; exports to France 699,876 bales; exports to the Continent 2,701,054 bales.

Aug. 13.—Galveston, quiet at 9⅛c, net receipts 138 bales; Norfolk, steady at 9¼c, net receipts 246 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 10¼c, net receipts 988 bales; Boston, steady at 10¼c, net receipts — bales; Wilmington, nothing doing, net receipts — bales; Philadelphia, firm at 10¼c, net receipts 30 bales; Savannah, nominal at 9½c, net receipts 2 bales; New Orleans, firm at 9 15 16c, net receipts 40 bales; Mobile, nothing doing, net receipts — bales; Memphis, dull at 9¼c, net receipts 10 bales; Augusta, quiet at 9¼c, net receipts 3 bales; Charleston,

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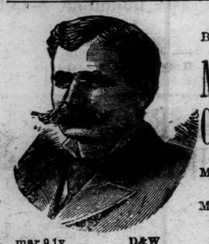

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Major Crofoot Organizes a New Scheme of Gigantic Proportions and Generously Takes In His Printer on the Ground Floor.

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It was the printer with his bill for 3,000 office cards, and he knocked on Major Crofoot's office door in that half hearted way adopted by creditors who feel that they must call and yet have no faith that the bill will be paid.

"Come in, and good morning to you—good morning!" shouted the major as he sprang up and extended his hand and shook so heartily that the caller's hat was nearly jostled off his head. When the shaking had been concluded, he said:

"I have been expecting you up here every day for a week, and if you

"SIMPLY TO REST EASY."

hadn't called today I should have sent a messenger to hunt you up. Did you remember to bring the bill?"

"Yes, sir," replied the printer as he handed it over.

"Good! Let's see. It's for $4.50, and I pronounce it correct—absolutely correct. There never was a more correct account rendered—never in this commercial world. And now you want a check for it, of course? I must ask you to excuse me that this trifle has run so long, but when a man is dealing in millions he is apt to forget dollars."

"That is all right, major," replied the printer as a soft smile stole over his face, and he began wondering why he had ever called the promoter a dead beat.

"Thanks for your confidence—your financial confidence. I like men to have confidence in me. Let me tell you, sir, that the man who puts his trust in Major Crofoot, grand promoter, gigantic originator and tremendous consolidator, loses nothing by it. Here is a bill for $4.50. It has run for weeks and months. Instead of wearing out the stairs and pounding on my door, you have been content to let time slip along. You felt that your money was safe. You believed that I would pay on presentation. Ah, sir, but I love to witness such exhibitions of confidence—I love to do it! Let us shake hands again."

"I'm in a bit of a hurry this morning," remarked the printer as a doubt suddenly entered his mind and sent a chill up his back.

"Ah, yes, of course you are—of course—and my time is also limited, but do you know what I am going to do? Instead of debating about a bill for $4.50, I am going to talk to you of thousands and hundreds of thousands and millions. My dear man, you have arrived at an opportune moment. It almost seems as if the hand of Providence was in it. Having displayed your confidence in the financial integrity of Major Crofoot and arrived at an opportune moment, what follows?"

"You pay the bill for $4.50," replied the printer.

"It follows, sir—it follows as naturally as night follows day, but with a heap more cash in it—that I take you in on the ground floor. Behold those papers on my desk. I had just ceased to figure when you came in. I had finished the last line of my prospectus. Behold, sir—behold the organization of the Wide World Chicken and Infant Raising company with a capital of $20,000,000!"

"Major, I called"—

"You called, sir—you called at an opportune moment. By calling you put it in my power to prove my gratitude in something besides words. What is the Wide World Chicken and Infant Raising company? As its name implies, the object is to raise chickens and infants. How, sir, how? Ah, that is Major Crofoot's great discovery, which has enabled him to organize a company on a basis of $20,000,000. The discovery is not original, but we apply it as it has never been applied before. We incubate chickens, but by the million instead of the score. Take your pencil and figure a little."

"But I came up for my $4.50," said the printer in ugly tones.

"Take your pencil and figure. Eggs can be bought for 20 cents a dozen. For 2 cents additional one dozen chickens can be produced. Four cents more and you have a dozen spring chickens worth 50 cents apiece at the incubator; total for eggs, incubating and feeding, 30 cents; total for chickens, $6; clear profit to divide up on every dozen, $5.70. Can Cripple Creek or the diamond mines beat it? We produce 20,000,000 dozen chickens per year. Figure it out, man, figure it out. Do you want greater dividends than 70 per cent on your capital? If you do"—

"What about this bill?" demanded the printer as he lifted it off the desk and laid it back again.

"If you do," continued the major as he walked about the room with hands crossed under his coattails, "then you shall have it. We incubate infants in the same machines, with only a thin partition between. We take infants after they are 24 hours old—white, black or any other color and without reference to sex—and we bring them up until they are a year old at so much per week. Terms are strictly cash in advance every Monday morning, and every kid is marked on the right heel with our stamp and can't get lost or mixed up in the shuffle. While we are hatching 1,000,000 dozen eggs we are bringing up 100,000 infants. I put the number at that, but it may be a few dozen more or less. Two dollars a week for 100,000 infants is over $10,000,000 per year. Call the expense for milk, paregoric and toast $1,000,000, and what profit do you have left?"

"But I have come here to collect a bill."

"The $9,000,000 profit on the infants added to the profits on the chickens gives us a dividend of $1.20 on the dollar, and can you ask for more, sir—can you do it? Why, man, the wealth of Golconda is not in it! The De Beers diamond bonds are waste paper in comparison! And you are to share in it. You are no longer a struggling printer on the seventh floor back, but a millionaire on the first floor front. I take you in. I allot you $100,000 worth of stock at 30 cents on the dollar, and in two weeks, if you care to sell out, I buy it at par. That's your reward for your confidence in Major Crofoot; that's what comes"—

"But I have no confidence in you!" shouted the creditor. "Pay this bill and you can incubate and be hanged and keep all the profits!"

"You have simply to rest easy," continued the major as he began to walk on the man's toes and drive him toward the door. "Just keep quiet for a couple of weeks, until the stock is issued. If anything was said at the present time"—

"What you pushing me for?"

"If anything was said at the present time, some one might cut in on us. Just go right back to your shop"—

"I want that money!"

—"and keep mum, and the stock will be sent to you in due time. That's it—good day—good day. Your confidence in Major Crofoot has brought its reward."

"Look here, major!" shouted the printer as he hammered on the outside of the door, "you are an old dead beat! You—you"—

The bill was shoved under the door against his toes. He picked it up, gave the door three hearty kicks and slowly went down stairs. He realized that he had been taken in on the ground floor. M. QUAD.

MASTERING CHINESE.

One of the Most Difficult of Languages to Learn.

It is well known that the Chinese language is one of the most difficult to master, and for us to attempt this task after we have finished our school years is excessively trying and difficult. Certainly the mistakes one hears of as being made by those who begin to talk and, worse still, preach in a language they fondly imagine they have mastered are ludicrous in the extreme.

I heard of a clergyman who was preaching to a Chinese congregation in the vernacular. "Come to God, oh, my friends; come to God!" he cried (or thought he did) and was considerably surprised to find some of the congregation with broad grins on their faces, while others were frowning blackly. Great was the good man's consternation when he found he had been saying, "Call the pigs, oh, my friends; call the pigs!" His mistake, I believe, was due entirely to putting the accent on the wrong syllable, which altered the whole sense of the words.

The Chinese seem to regard a foreigner speaking Chinese like Dr. Johnson regarded women preaching. "It is like a dog standing on his hind legs," said the learned doctor. "You are not struck with admiration at how well he does it, but you are surprised he can do it at all."—Leslie's Weekly.

A Phillips Brooks Story.

The spirit of love and kindliness to all which pervaded every word and deed of Phillips Brooks did not hinder his keen appreciation of others' failings and shortcomings or his own.

"Why in the world doesn't Brown write his autobiography and have it published?" said one of the bishop's friends, referring to an incessant talker and most egotistical man who had been wasting an hour of the bishop's most precious time by a rehearsal of some unimportant happenings.

"Why, he'd rather tell it, of course," said the bishop, and then like a flash came regret for the quickly spoken truth, and he turned on his friend with a half humorous, half distressed face.

"What do you mean by asking me such a question as that when I'm off my guard?" he demanded reproachfully.—Youth's Companion.

The Boer Gun Puzzle.

What do the Boers do with their guns? They never seem to surrender them even when defeated, and they cannot break them into little bits. Do they send them away before they surrender or do they bury them in the sand of their rivers? The plan of burial is the one adopted by the hostile races in India, and it is not so fatal to the guns as might be imagined.—London Spectator.

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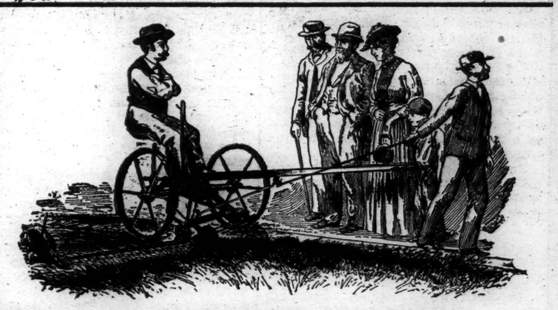

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We have about 5,000 yards Summer Lawns and Piques in white and all colors that we must close out before we move. Our best 10c Piques are now 8c per yard. 12½c Stripe Piques now 10c. White Welts for Ladies' Skirts that were sold close for 18c are now 15c. 500 yards Chinese Silks in red, garnet, navy and black, regular 50c values, now 28c. Two pieces Navy Blue Silk with white polka dots, worth 50c, now 33c. Two styles Ladies' Dress Silks, extra quality, 26 inches wide, cheap at 50c, now 39c per yard. White Corded Silk at 32c per yard.

We have all the new shades and up-to-date styles in new Golf Hats, in gray and Summer colors, from 50c to $2.75. Narrow Velvet Ribbon at 19c bunch. We have all the widths in Velvet Ribbon.

We are sole agents for Aycock Hats, and are having a special sale of them. We have them at 75c, $1.00, $1.50 and $2.25. We have 40 dozen Good Spectacles to sell at 5c per pair. Five hundred boxes Paper and Envelopes at 5c per box. Five hundred pounds Writing Paper at 10c pound. 1,500 cakes Sweet Soap, Turkish Bath and Tar Soap for 18c dozen; on Saturday 1c per cake. The best 10c Suspenders in the world. Richly worth 15c; while they last for 10c. Three hundred Ladies' Leather Belts, all samples, 25c Ladies' Belt for 12c. Fifty dozen Shoe Boles at 10c a pair. Forty-eight pairs Lace Curtains at 48c a pair. A good 3-yard-long Lace Curtain for $1.00 a pair.

Two hundred yards very fine Black Organdie, worth 25c per yard wholesale, my price 18c per yard. White Bed Spreads from 50c up. Best quality Hemmed Sheets, 81 by 90 inches, for 60c each. We have a big stock Men's and Ladies' Bathing Suits to close out.

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We serve others and will be glad to serve you. Come and help us unload our stock. We've got to move into our new building, and we had much rather move money than goods.

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A Farm of 250 acres four miles from Greenville, one mile from House station on the Atlantic Coast Line. One hundred and eighty-five acres cleared and in fine state of cultivation. One nice two-story dwelling with six rooms. One cook room and kitchen. One office. One set two-story stables with eight stalls. Two barns. Two tobacco barns. One 16-horse power engine, gin house, gin, press, etc. All necessary machinery attached. All kinds of farming implements, including wagons, carts, tools, etc. Also, four mules and one horse. Will sell all together or the land separate.

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in Long Creek village, Pender county—35 acres cleared, balance well timbered. Four acres in strawberries, 3 acres in apple trees. Fine grape vine. Large two-story house. One good New Store House. All necessary out houses. Two tenant houses. Two miles from Montague, a station on Atlantic and Yadkin Railroad; sixteen miles from Wilmington. Fertile land, in a high state of cultivation. A bargain for somebody.

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Four good Building Lots in the town of Burgaw, consisting of one-half acre each.

One neat three-room House in town of Burgaw, on lot consisting of one and one-half acres. All set out in strawberries except garden and yard.

A desirable building lot in the town of Burgaw, consisting of one-fourth of an acre, fronting railroad, and it is a corner lot.

Farm at Burgaw.

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Containing 265 acres, four miles from Magnolia, N. C., in the great truck belt. About seventy acres cleared; thirty acres of black branch land well timbered with curly yellow pine. Fine meadow land and best range for hogs, sheep and cattle. Five-room dwelling, with barn, stables and other out-houses. Nearly a half-acre in prolific grape vines. Lot of apple and plum trees. Beautiful oak and hickory grove surrounds dwelling. Good water. Admirably adapted to tobacco culture, and now has eight acres in cultivation. Also, two tobacco barns. Fences and ditches in good condition.

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A desirable farm of one hundred and fifty acres. Fifty acres is within the corporate limits of the town of Burgaw, N. C. Twenty two acres cleared. There is one nice, new three-room cottage, painted and plastered. Large stables and barns. A tenant's house, and strawberry packing house. A well of very fine drinking water. A nice orchard of 500 young fruit trees, consisting of Japan plums, peaches, pears, apples and figs.

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A desirable farm of 272 acres, three miles east of Rose Hill. Fifty acres cleared and in good state of cultivation, balance well timbered. Four-room house on premises. In good neighborhood. Will exchange for desirable house and lot in Wilmington.

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One hundred and fifty acres two miles from Ashton, four miles from Burgaw. Four acres cleared, most of which is very fertile low land. Balance well timbered for farming purposes. No tenant houses.

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DEPARTURES FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND.

DAILY 9.35 A. M. No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.10 A. M., Warsaw 11.24 A. M., Goldsboro 12.21 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Battleboro Mount 1.48 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.32 P. M., Petersburg 6.08 P. M., Richmond 7.25 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.20 P. M., Baltimore 1.03 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 5.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 7.00 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.35 P. M., Warsaw 8.41 P. M., Goldsboro 9.37 P. M., Wilson 10.30 P. M., †Tarboro 5.46 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.15 P. M., Weldon 1.00 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M., Petersburg 2.37 A. M., Richmond 3.23 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.30 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M., New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.35 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 53—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.44 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M., Marion 6.30 P. M., Florence 7.10 P. M., Sumter 8.07 P. M., Columbia 10.30 P. M., Denmark 5.55 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M., Charleston 10.55 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 10.10 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.05 P. M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.48 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York †2.20 P. M., Philadelphia 12.20 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.48 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.55 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.22 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M.

DAILY 9.20 A. M. No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 1.00 night, New York 2.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11.35 A. M., Baltimore 1.46 P. M., Washington 3.07 P. M., Richmond 6.50 P. M., Petersburg 7.35 P. M., †Norfolk 3.00 P. M., Weldon 9.06 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 6.35 A. M. Leave Wilson 5.57 A. M., Goldsboro 6.45 A. M., Warsaw 7.28 A. M., Magnolia 7.51 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.35 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.20 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 7.10 A. M., Sanford 12.05 P. M., Jacksonville 8.30 P. M., Savannah 2.10 A. M., Charleston 6.45 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M. Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.24 P. M. Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.05 P. M., Florence 9.50 A. M., Marion 10.59 A. M., Chadbourn 11.41 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.08 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 6.40 A. M. No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 3.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 3.46 P. M.

Daily except Sunday.

Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.05 A. M. Maxton 9.10 A. M., Red Springs 9.40 A. M., Hope Mills 10.32 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.55 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.40 P. M., Hope Mills 4.58 P. M., Red Springs 5.35 P. M., Maxton 6.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leaves Rocky Mount 7.15 A. M., arrive Weldon 8.17 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10.18 A. M., arrives Richmond 11.10 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.17 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.37 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.58 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 3.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11 00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 6.40 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 7.35 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 9.00 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 3.40 P. M., arrives Nashville 10.30 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.35 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.30 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.45 A. M.; 5.35 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 12.10 A. M. 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton, daily, except Sunday, 11.40 A. M. and 4.25 P. M. Returning, leaves Clinton 6.45 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.13 A. M., arrive Latta 10.31 A. M., Dillon 10.49 A. M., Rowland 10.58 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.30 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 6.30 A. M. Chadbourn 11.50 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 3.35 P. M., Manning 6.04 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.43 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M. Manning 9.00 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.25 A. M.; 5.55 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 12.32 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday 4.57 P. M.; arrive Darlington 5.20 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence

The Morning Star.
WILMINGTON, N. C.
TUESDAY MORNING, AUGUST 14.

U. S. GOVERNMENT'S REPLY TO CHINA.

Will Not Consider Request for Cessation of Hostilities Until the Ministers at Pekin Are Relieved.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, August 13.—The Department of State to-day made public the reply of the United States government to Minister Wu's communication, delivered on Sunday morning, notifying the department of the appointment of Earl Li Hung Chang as envoy plenipotentiary to negotiate with the powers. The reply was sent to Minister Wu at 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon, and is as follows:

"Touching the imperial edict of August 5th, appointing Li Hung Chang envoy plenipotentiary to conduct negotiations on the part of China with the powers, and the request for a cessation of hostilities, pending negotiations, communicated to Mr. Adee by Mr. Wu on the 12th of August, 1900:

"The government of the United States learns with satisfaction of the appointment of Earl Li Hung Chang as envoy plenipotentiary to conduct negotiations with the powers and will, on its part, enter upon such negotiations with a desire to continue the friendly relations so long existing between the two countries.

"It is evident that there can be no general negotiations between China and the powers so long as the ministers of the powers and the persons under their protection remain in their present position of restraint and danger, and that the powers cannot cease their efforts for the delivery of these representatives to which they are constrained by the highest considerations of national honor, except under an arrangement adequate to accomplish a peaceable deliverance.

"We are ready to enter into an agreement between the powers and the Chinese government for a cessation of hostile demonstrations on condition that a sufficient body of the forces composing the relief expedition shall be permitted to enter Pekin unmolested and to escort the foreign ministers and residents back to Tien Tsin, this movement being provided for and secured by such arrangements and dispositions of troops as shall be considered satisfactory by the generals commanding the forces composing the relief expedition.

"ALVEY A. ADEE,
"Acting Secretary.

Department of State, Washington, August 12, 1900."

The text of this reply to the overtures communicated by Minister Wu was telegraphed last night to the representatives of the United States for communication to the governments of the powers co operating in the relief movement.

A PARIS SENSATION.

Artful Attempt at Poisoning by the Use of Perfumes.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, August 13.—A special dispatch from Paris to the *Evening Telegram* to-day says:

An artful attempt at poisoning by the use of perfume, which recalls memories of Lucretia Borgia, is exciting all the gossips of Paris.

Thursday the Chinese minister, Yu Keng, received a letter which was signed "Julie Czerwinska," and contained some dried flowers which the writer asked the minister to accept. The secretary of the legation, Armani di Parma, opened the letter and was immediately overcome by the dead odor emanating from the flowers. He fell in a faint. His recovery was accompanied by violent sickness and vomiting. In fact, his condition presented many characteristics of poisoning, and only by prompt treatment was he relieved. Mlle. Czerwinska has been arrested. She appears to be mentally deranged.

A TERRIBLE MISTAKE.

Russian Artillery Opened Fire on American Troops With Fatal Results

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, August 13.—A special cable dispatch to the *Evening World* to day, dated Che Foo, August 9, via Shanghai, says;

A terrible mistake occurred at the taking of Yang Tsun. Russian artillery opened fire on the American troops. Before the mistake was discovered many American soldiers had been killed or wounded by the Russian shells.

The Fourteenth U. S. regiment took part in the attack on the Chinese trenches. As the Chinese fled the regiment entered and occupied one of the Chinese positions. A Russian battery, some distance off, did not notice the movement. It opened fire on the position and planted shells among the American troops. The Russians were quickly notified and ceased their fire.

TWELVE PERSONS KILLED.

Result of a Severe Storm in New York City Last Sunday.

NEW YORK, August 13.—One of the most disastrous summer storms New York has experienced in years swept over the city this afternoon, leaving death and wreckage in its wake. It brushed aside the hot wave, cooled the atmosphere and then quickly subsided.

Twelve persons were killed by drowning, by lightning strokes, by heat strokes or by fire, the direct results of the storm in and around New York.

Judge John Reagan, chairman of the Texas State Railway Commission, and the only surviving member of Jefferson Davis' cabinet, announces that he will resign his position and retire permanently from public life. He he will devote the remainder of his life to writing his memoirs. Judge Reagan is 80 years of age.

Editor's Awful Plight.

F. M. Higgins, Editor Seneca, (Ills.,) *News*, was afflicted for years with Piles that no doctor or remedy helped until he tried Bucklen's Arnica Salve. He writes two boxes wholly cured him. It's the surest Pile cure on earth and the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25 cents. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

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AMERICAN TROOPS ARE NEAR PEKIN.

General Chaffee Reports His Arrival Last Thursday at the City of Hosiwu.

ONLY 33 MILES FROM PEKIN.

International Force Believed to Be Now Within a Few Miles of the Imperial City—Apparently Met With No Great Opposition.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, August 13.—The American commander in China, in a dispatch of just three words, received at the War Department late this afternoon, sent a thrill of exultation and expectancy throughout official quarters by announcing his arrival at Hosiwu, only thirty-three miles from Pekin, last Thursday.

The last heard from him before this was at Yang Tsun, which had been captured after a hard fight, and word of his movements since then has been eagerly awaited. Thursday he was 33 miles beyond Yang Tsun. Lang Fang, the place where the ill-fated Seymour expedition met its fate and turned back, had been left behind. The battle of Yang Tsun was fought on the 6th and the advance to Hosiwu was accomplished on the 9th, a march of eighteen miles in three days. This was four days ago, and at the same rate of progress Chaffee is even now fairly within striking distance of the walls of Pekin. It was a consummation which the War Department had awaited calmly, and stirring as the news was that the American force was now nearing the gates of the imperial city, Secretary Root and Adjutant General Corbin evinced no surprise, as it accorded with calculations, although the advance has been more rapid than was expected.

Chaffee's Dispatch.

The dispatch from Chaffee, conveying so much in so few words, is as follows:

"*Che Foo, August 7.*—Adjutant General, Washington—Tenth. Arrived Hosiwu yesterday.

(Signed) "CHAFFEE."

Word of the advance soon spread throughout official quarters. In the enthusiasm of the moment a report got about that this was the day for the actual arrival at Pekin. But the War Department had not a word of the advance beyond Hosiwu. It was deemed hardly likely that the march to Pekin could have been made since last Thursday. At the rate of progress, six miles a day, made from Yang Tsun to Hosiwu, about twenty-four miles would have been covered in the last four days and up to to-day. This would still leave the international forces nine miles from Pekin.

Not Much Opposition.

Viewed from any standpoint, the advance to Hosiwu was of the utmost importance, not only strategetically, but also in showing that communication was open back to Che Foo, that the expected opposition from Chinese hordes had not been sufficient to prevent a steady forward movement, and in the influence it would exert upon the Chinese government.

Brief as the dispatch is, it conveys much information beyond that specifically contained in its few words. Although it is not stated what force has arrived, the War Department accepts it to mean that this is the international force which first took Peitsang and then Yang Tsun. It has gone steadily forward along the left bank of the Pei river, keeping on the main road, which skirts the river bank. At Yang Tsun the railway crosses the river and branches off to the west. Now the forces have left the railway far in the rear and are depending upon the highway and the river. Hosiwu is a place of considerable size and the largest town between Tien Tsin and Ching Chia Wan. The latter place and Tung Chow, are the two cities of considerable size on

The Line of Advance

after leaving Hosiwu. It was surrounded by orchards and gardens and is not a place likely to afford opportunity for strong defence. It is the highest point on the Pei river where the river water is depended on, as the native wells are the source of supply on the balance of the route to Pekin.

Communication is Open.

As it has taken five days for General Chaffee to report the advance to Hosiwu, it is evident that wire communication is not open to the front. This was hardly to be expected but the safe arrival of the message at least shows that a certain measure of communication is now open. One of the chief sources of congratulation among officials is that the fancied hordes of China have not materialized or at least have not prevented the international column from getting close to the gates of Pekin.

Shortly after his dispatch arrived, another message from General Chaffee, far more lengthy, gave the melancholy result of the fight at Yang Tsun. The casualty list was given in detail, with the additional information that the dead had been buried at Yang Tsun and that the wounded had been sent back to the hospital at Tien Tsin

China's Peace Overtures.

The reply of the United States government to China's overtures for peace was made public early in the day, showing the firm and final position that had been taken. While expressing satisfaction at this pacific step, the reply states that it is evident that "there can be no general negotiation between China and the powers" so long as the ministers and legationers are restrained and in danger. Then follows a specific statement of what the United States expects as a condition precedent to a cessation of hostilities, viz., that a body of the relief force be permitted to "enter Pekin unmolested" and escort the ministers back to Tien Tsin.

It developed during the day that the reference to "the powers," employed in the American reply was not without a distinct meaning. Exchanges between the various powers have been going on constantly and as a result the officials had the satisfaction of knowing in the day that the position of the United States had the approval and support of all the great powers. While this had not been expressed in any formal manner by all the parties, yet the exchanges in the chancellories of Europe and through the foreign representatives in Washington made it positive that the powers were acting unitedly on approval of the course of this government. Several of the foreign representatives, including the German charge and the Russian charge, had extended conferences with Mr. Adee during the afternoon. These added to the assurances of unanimity among the powers. The presence of the Russian representative was gratifying in clearing away some misapprehension, which was not shared by the government here as to Russia's course in authorizing M. De Giers to leave Pekin under Chinese escort. It was pointed out that this in no way brought about a difference between the attitude of Russia and that of the other powers, as all were acting on the theory that the Chines government must first give an absolute guarantee for the safety of the ministers. It seems evident that this absolute guarantee cannot be given by China unless it allows the international forces to enter Pekin, so that in effect the Russian position does not differ materially from that of the other Powers. At least Russia is included among those who duly approve the course taken by the United States.

CANARD FROM SOUTH AFRICA

That President Kruger is Contributing Millions to the Election of Hon. Wm. J. Bryan.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, August 13.—Touching a dispatch from Pretoria, and printed in London, under date of August 10, in which it was stated that President Kruger is contributing between $2,500,000 and $3,750,000 to the election of William J. Bryan, also, that Web ster Davis had received $125,000 from the same source, as a contribution for the Democratic campaign fund, Chas. D. Pierce, consul general and treasurer of the Boer relief fund, and P. Hauter Wessels, special commissioner of the South African republic, of this city, to day gave out a denial of both statements, adding to the denial the following:

"The Boers have other and better use for their funds. England is in desperate "straits for the sinews of war" when she will resort to such despicable means to influence the American people against the Boer cause, when fully 95 per cent. of the citizens are in our favor."

EXCURSION TRAIN WRECKED.

Thirteen People Were Badly Hurt Near Tennille, Ga.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

TENNILLE, GA., August 13.—The railway train from Augusta was wrecked here this afternoon and thirteen people were badly hurt. Seriously injured are: Thomas Cooper, Simon Vons (colored), Frank Heath, baggage master; Jos. Adams, brakeman; Geo. Miller (colored), John Monahan, Ferdinand Hobbs (colored), H. C. Stewart, Clara Swont, Alice Thomas, Nelson Cain (colored); Moore Wilson, train hand; James Greer, fireman. Others were less injured. All of them are doing well. The train broke in two on a steep grade and the two sections collided.

There was an excursion from Tennille to Savannah to-day and a large crowd of excursionists were on the train.

WARM WIRELETS.

The British steamer Palestro, wrecked off Hatteras, has sunk out of sight. Wreckers have abandoned her.

Robert Kingston Scott, carpet-bag governor of South Carolina, died at his home in Napoleon, Ohio. He was stricken with apoplexy a year ago but had apparently recovered.

Mr. W. J. Bryan will receive notification of his nomination for the presidency by the United States Monetary League at Topeka, Kas., on August 23, the date of the People's Party notification exercises.

Homer and Walter Bittles, and Will Lanier, were killed at Monroe Prairie, Miss., in a fight on the pubile road, in which J. S. Lanier and his sons George and Jeff took part, in addition to Will Lanier, another son.

The Catholic paper *Germania*, of Berlin, says it learns that altogether ten out of fifty missionaries in the vicarate of South Pechili have been murdered and that three thousand converts have suffered the same fate.

In a railroad accident, not far from the city of Rome Sunday night, fifteen persons were killed and forty wounded, of whom fifteen are seriously injured. The disaster was caused by the telescoping of two sections of a train on the railroad from Rome to Florence.

The Norwegian barque Kopta put into Hampton Roads Sunday with six cases of Chagres fever on board, and signalled for help. She was boarded off Old Point Comfort by Dr. Brown, quarantine officer, who sent her to quarantine.

Judge LaCombe, of the U. S. Court, New York, refused to sign the writ of extradition for Charles F. W. Neely, on account of the action of Judge Wallace in granting an appeal to the Supreme Court in the habeas corpus proceedings.

John Butler, alias "Frisco Slim," was remanded in the Centre street police court, New York, to await requisition papers from Virginia, where he is wanted to answer a charge of blowing open a safe in Strasburg, last April.

A petition in bankruptcy was filed yesterday in Chicago, by Henry J. O'Neill, commonly called "The Barley King," and known far and wide on account of his transactions in that cereal. The amount of his liabilities is stated to be $442,491; the assets $5,000.

The British government, according to the Shanghai correspondent of the *Times*, has offered to lend 75,000 pounds at 4½ per cent. to the viceroy of Wu Chang, province of Hu Be on the Yangtse Kiang, for the payment of provincial troops.

Jack Betts, a negro, was lynched at Corinth, Miss. He was charged with assaulting a ten-year-old white girl in the country Sunday. A mob took him from jail and hanged him to a telegraph pole on the public square.

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THEIR SITUATION STILL DESPERATE

A Message Received from Sir Claude McDonald, British Minister in Pekin.

BUT RELIEF IS APPROACHING.

The International Forces at Noon Saturday Were Within Twenty Miles of Pekin—Further Particulars of Fighting at Yang Tsun.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, August 14, 3.50 A. M.—The British consul at Canton says the *Daily Telegraph's* correspondent there has received the following message, dated August 6th, from Sir Claude MacDonald, British minister in Pekin:

"Our situation here is desperate. In ten days our food supply will be at an end. Unless we are released a general massacre is probable.

"The Chinese offer to escort us to Tien Tsin, but remembering Cawnpore, we refuse the offer. There arre over two hundred European women and childen in this legation."

The Shanghai correspondent of the *Daily Express*, wiring yesterday, says:

"The allies at noon Saturday were within twenty miles of Pekin."

As General Chaffee's report, which is the only authentic news received here regarding the advance, located the international forces about forty miles from Pekin on Friday, it seems probable that the Shanghai report is optimistic. It is scarcely likely that the allies could advance twenty miles in as many hours.

The Fighting at Yang Tsun.

A Yang Tsun dispatch, dated August 7th, giving details regarding the capture of that place, says:

"The Russians and French held the left, the British the left centre, the Americans the right centre and the Japanese the extreme right. The British and Americans advanced on the village at a rapid rate for five thousand yards, under a severe sheli and rifle fire. The Russians opened and the British American advance became a race for positions, culminating in a brilliant charge.

"The heaviest loss of the day was sustained by the Americans, the Fourteenth infantry having nine killed, sixty-two wounded and several missing. The Bengal Lancers unsuccessfully attempted to cut off the Chinese retreat."

Another Yang Tsun special says:

"Owing to a mistake British and Russian guns shelled the Fourteenth U. S. infantry during the night, wounding ten." Commenting upon this occurrence, the *Standard* says: "It is melancholy to learn that the losses of the Americans, who seem to have borne themselves with conspicuous gallantry, were increased by a deplorable error, in consequence of which one of their regiments was pounded by Russian and British cannon. The incident emphasizes the necessity of that close co-operation which is not easily obtainable without a single commander and a general staff."

Official advices from Yokohama, dated yesterday, say that the allies propose to advance on August 7th to Nan Tsi Tsun, between Yang Tsun and Wu Sing. The Japanese suffered no casualties at Yang Tsun, but the official reports say they had three hundred at Peitsang.

Empress Dowager to Leave Pekin.

BERLIN, August 13.—At the Chinese legation in Berlin, the correspondent of the Associated Press was informed to-day, that the Empress Dowager had declared her intention to leave Pekin and to transfer her court to another city before the allied forces reached the capital.

Lu Hai Houan, the Chinese minister here, on learning of this intention, telegraphed to both the Empress Dowager and the Emperor not to leave Pekin, but quietly to await the arrival of the international forces.

Transport Sumner at Nagaski.

WASHINGTON, August 13.—The War Department has received the following from General Barry:

"*Nagasaki, August 12.*—Transport Sumner arrived at this port on the 10th. No casualties occurred. Health of command excellent. Will proceed Taku on the Indiana."

The Sumner carried a battalion of the Fffteenth infantry. The Indiana also will take aboard siege guns which General MacArthur sent from Manila. It will take about three days for the Indiana to reach Taku.

Russia and the Powers.

TOKIO, August 13.—The opinion is expressed in Japanese official circles that Russia's occupation of New Chwang justifies the dispatch of British troops to Shanghai. It is believed that other powers will be driven to similar measures in other parts of China.

DEMOCRATIC CLUBS.

Bryan Will Attend the Convention of the National Association in October.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, August 13.—The National Association of Democratic Clubs received a personal assurance to-day from William J. Bryan that he will attend the quadriennial convention of that association in Indianapolis, on October 3rd and 4th. Mr. Bryan replied to an invitation from President William R. Hearst.

It is announced that during the three weeks the association's headquarters in this city have been opened, 125,000 new members have been received into the organization.

THE NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Result of Base Ball Games Played Yesterday by the Clubs.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

Pittsburg—Pittsburg, 4; New York, 7.

Chicago—Chicago, 7; Boston, 1.

Cincinnati—Cincinnati, 4; Brooklyn, 0.

St. Louis—St. Louis, 10; Philadelphia, 3.

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COLORED MEN FOR BRYAN.

Conference With a Delegation from St. Louis—Want to Organize Clubs.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, August 13.—This afternoon William J. Bryan had a conference with a delegation of colored men, headed by J. Milton Turner, of St. Louis, former minister to Liberia. They represented that there was much dissatisfaction among members of their race with the present administration and assured Mr. Bryan that he would receive the votes of many of them. They therefore urged the importance of organizing of colored Bryan Democratic clubs.

Mr. Bryan also participated in a conference with ex-Governor Stone of Missouri, ex-Governor Altgeld, Mayor Taggart of Indianapolis, Chairman Martin of the Indiana State Central Committee and Senator Jones. The outlook in Indiana was reported as favorable.

MADE RECORD PASSAGE.

Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse's Fast Time from New York to Bremen.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

BREMEN, August 13.—The North German Lloyd steamer Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, Captain Angelbart, which sailed from New York, August 7, for Bremen, has made the record passage of any steamer sailing from Sandy Hook to Cherbourg, covering 3184 knots in five days, nineteen hours and forty four minutes. Her average speed was 22.79 knots per hour.

THE MURDERER CAPTURED.

Chas R. H. Ferrell Confessed to the Murder of Express Messenger Lane.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, August 12.—Charles R. H. Ferrell, a former employe of the Adams Express Company, was arrested this afternoon in this city and has confessed to the killing of Messenger Charles Lane and the robbery of the way safe of the Adams Express Company on the Pennsylvania east-bound train which arrived in this city at midnight Friday. One thousand dollars of the money which he had stolen was recovered.

AMEER OF AFGHANISTAN.

Mobilizing an Army for Advance on the Russian Frontier.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, August 13.—Dispatches from Lahore say the Ameer of Afghanistan is mobilizing forces of infantry and artillery and that it is reported an advance on the Russian frontier is contemplated.

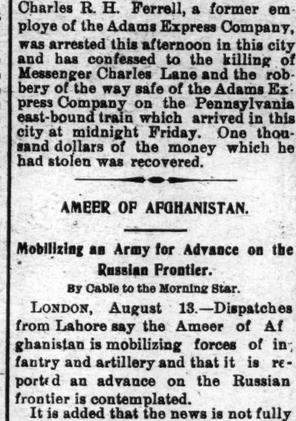
It is added that the news is not fully credited at Lahore, though, it is explained, the Ameer's behavior has been causing some uneasiness in official circles.

CHAIRMAN MARION BUTLER.

A Populist Paper Says He Will Take the Stump for McKinley.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LINCOLN, NEB., August 13.—The *Evening Post*, a local Populist paper, says that Chairman Marion Butler will take the stump for McKinley. Vice Chairman Edminston was asked about this matter this evening, but declined to talk. "In the absence of definite information," said Mr. Edminston, "I can say nothing about Senator Butler's future course."



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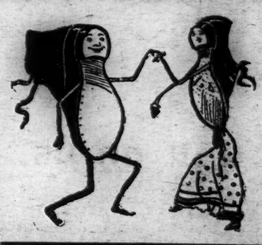

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